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PREFACE

The Legislative Assembly Estimates present to the Legislative Assembly expenditure proposals for the 1992-93 fiscal year. The Legislative Assembly will be asked to appropriate sums from the General Revenue Fund to each vote under section 2 of the Appropriation Act, 1992. Also to be appropriated under section 1 of the Appropriation Act, 1992 are Supplementary Estimates for 1991-92.

For the information of the Legislative Assembly, details of each vote are provided at the element level and by object and type of expenditure.

SYMBOLS

The following symbols are used throughout this publication:

. . . figures not appropriate or not applicable

- - amount too small (large) to be expressed

— nil or zero.

1992-93 Details of Legislative Assembly Estimates

Alberta

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The Legislative Assembly is the parliament of Alberta, consisting of members who are elected by the people of Alberta. Through them Albertans make provincial laws and provide money needed by the government for the present and future good of the people of the province. In keeping with the time-honoured tradition of parliamentary self-government, the Lieutenant Governor gives assent to the laws so made by Albertans.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF VOTED EXPENDITURE

VOTE		1992-93 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1990-91 Actual
		$	%	$	$
1	Support to the Legislative Assembly	22,954,152	2.7	22,346,717	21,363,085
2	Office of the Auditor General	11,845,271	1.6	11,660,563	10,891,885
3	Office of the Ombudsman	1,298,100	3.8	1,250,800	1,086,932
4	Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	1,149,459	81.5	633,200	677,860
5	Office of the Ethics Commissioner	204,171	. . .	—	—
	Amount to be voted	37,451,153	4.3	35,891,280	34,019,762

SUMMARY BY OBJECT AND TYPE OF EXPENDITURE
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

	1992-93 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1991-92 Estimates
	$	%	$
Object of Expenditure			
Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**18,807,648**	8.1	17,400,794
Supplies and Services	**10,829,009**	0.8	10,741,063
Grants	**3,200**	—	3,200
Purchase of Capital Assets	**566,099**	12.8	501,695
Payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly	**7,245,197**	- -	7,244,528
	37,451,153	4.3	35,891,280
Type of Expenditure			
Operating	**36,885,054**	4.2	35,389,585
Capital	**566,099**	12.8	501,695
	37,451,153	4.3	35,891,280

SUMMARY OF MANPOWER AUTHORIZATION
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**422.7**	2.0	414.6
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**249**	—	249

SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

AUTHORITY:

Legislative Assembly Act.

Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

Resolutions of the Assembly.

Electoral Boundaries Commission Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide for the necessary administrative and financial support to the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Provides all services required for the operation of the Legislative Assembly including committees.

Provides for publication of Alberta Hansard.

Provides for public education and visitor services programs.

Provides a library service to the Legislature, Public Service and general public.

Provides for expenses incurred in connection with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Provides for payment of mailing, telephone and other communication expenses for Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for expenses for Members' Constituency Offices.

Provides for payment of indemnities, committee allowances, expense allowances and living expenses to Members of the Legislative Assembly as authorized by the Legislative Assembly Act.

Provides for payment of pension premiums, disability benefits and health insurance premiums and benefits for Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for electronic data processing services to support Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for transportation expenses of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

Provides for financial and administrative support of the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

Provides for payment of honoraria and expenses for members of the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

Provides for payment of re-establishment allowances to former Members of the Legislative Assembly.

VOTE 1 — SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1992-93 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1990-91 Actual
		$	%	$	$
1.0.1	Administration	565,907	(4.5)	592,627	507,958
1.0.2	House Services	1,070,416	(8.9)	1,175,421	1,320,981
1.0.3	MLA Administration	13,994,052	1.8	13,742,881	13,127,287
1.0.4	Speaker and Deputy Speaker—Office Services	344,130	2.1	337,030	343,875
1.0.5	Government Members' Services	1,443,204	7.1	1,347,570	1,284,335
1.0.6	Official Opposition Services	1,016,640	3.7	979,894	934,592
1.0.7	Liberal Opposition Services	527,539	(4.4)	551,941	545,105
1.0.8	Legislature Committees	298,774	(21.1)	378,518	424,881
1.0.9	Legislative Interns	93,022	(1.1)	94,014	75,377
1.0.10	Hansard	1,021,177	25.4	814,542	679,149
1.0.11	Legislature Library	1,010,905	6.7	947,237	877,307
1.0.12	Information Systems	686,722	17.2	585,764	765,721
1.0.13	Visitor Services	399,117	0.1	398,637	367,083
1.0.14	Electoral Boundaries Commission	437,447	9.2	400,641	109,434
	Caucus Budget — Calgary-Buffalo	45,100	. . .	—	—
	Amount to be voted	22,954,152	2.7	22,346,717	21,363,085

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure			
Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	8,728,463	14.4	7,628,381
Supplies and Services	6,573,928	(7.5)	7,104,713
Grants	3,200	—	3,200
Purchase of Capital Assets	403,364	10.2	365,895
Payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly	7,245,197	. . .	7,244,528
	22,954,152	2.7	22,346,717
Type of Expenditure			
Operating	22,550,788	2.6	21,980,822
Capital	403,364	10.2	365,895
	22,954,152	2.7	22,346,717

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	230.0	2.9	223.6
Permanent Full-Time Positions	50	—	50

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

AUTHORITY:

Auditor General Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To conduct professional, independent audits and express opinions as required by section 18 of the Auditor General Act and other statutes, on the financial statements of the Crown including departments, regulated funds, revolving funds, provincial agencies and other organizations or bodies of which the Auditor General is auditor. After the end of the fiscal year of the Crown, to report to the Legislative Assembly on the work of the Office of the Auditor General, and on matters which were observed during the course of that work, as required by section 19 of the Auditor General Act. To undertake special auditing or investigative assignments as may be specified by the Legislative Assembly and also, under certain conditions, as specified by the Executive Council.

VOTE 2 — OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1992-93 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1990-91 Actual
		$	%	$	$
2.0.1	Office of the Auditor General	**11,845,271**	1.6	11,660,563	10,891,885
	Amount to be voted	**11,845,271**	1.6	11,660,563	10,891,885

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure				
	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**8,446,425**	2.0	8,277,813
	Supplies and Services	**3,266,211**	0.3	3,254,950
	Grants	**—**	—	—
	Purchase of Capital Assets	**132,635**	3.8	127,800
		11,845,271	1.6	11,660,563
Type of Expenditure				
	Operating	**11,712,636**	1.6	11,532,763
	Capital	**132,635**	3.8	127,800
		11,845,271	1.6	11,660,563

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**162.0**	—	162.0
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**171**	—	171

OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

AUTHORITY:

Ombudsman Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide an impartial investigation on behalf of any person who feels he has suffered an injustice through the actions of departments, agencies or officials of the Government of Alberta, and to recommend corrective action if the complaint is justified.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Investigation of complaints concerning the actions of departments, agencies or officials of the Government of Alberta, at no cost to the individual requesting this service. Disposition of complaints by explaining action of government to the complainant, if the complaint is not justified, or by recommendation for corrective action if the complaint is supported.

VOTE 3 — OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1992-93 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1990-91 Actual
		$	%	$	$
3.0.1	Office of the Ombudsman	**1,298,100**	3.8	1,250,800	1,086,932
	Amount to be voted	**1,298,100**	3.8	1,250,800	1,086,932

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure				
	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**1,048,100**	3.3	1,014,500
	Supplies and Services	**242,000**	6.0	228,300
	Grants	**—**	—	—
	Purchase of Capital Assets	**8,000**	—	8,000
		1,298,100	3.8	1,250,800
Type of Expenditure				
	Operating	**1,290,100**	3.8	1,242,800
	Capital	**8,000**	—	8,000
		1,298,100	3.8	1,250,800

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**20.0**	—	20.0
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**20**	—	20

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

AUTHORITY:

Election Act.

Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

Senatorial Selection Act.

Electoral Boundaries Commission Act.

Electoral Divisions Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide administrative, logistic and financial support for general and special enumerations, general elections and by-elections, senatorial elections and plebiscites in support of the Election Act and the Senatorial Selection Act. To monitor and record the financial activities of registered parties, constituency associations and candidates to ensure compliance with the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Provides for enumerations, elections, by-elections and plebiscites and for communication and liaison with the executive of registered parties, constituency associations, and candidates and their campaign officials, pertaining to the established policies and procedures of the relevant acts.

The Chief Electoral Officer is a member of the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

VOTE 4 — OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1992-93 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1990-91 Actual
		$	%	$	$
4.0.1	Administrative Support	**494,794**	(3.7)	514,000	461,236
4.0.2	Elections	**248,125**	- -	12,000	64,258
4.0.3	Enumerations	**406,540**	279.2	107,200	152,366
	Amount to be voted	**1,149,459**	81.5	633,200	677,860

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure				
	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**465,549**	(3.0)	480,100
	Supplies and Services	**680,410**	344.4	153,100
	Grants	**—**	—	—
	Purchase of Capital Assets	**3,500**	. . .	—
		1,149,459	81.5	633,200
Type of Expenditure				
	Operating	**1,145,959**	81.0	633,200
	Capital	**3,500**	. . .	—
		1,149,459	81.5	633,200

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**8.7**	(3.3)	9.0
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**8**	—	8

OFFICE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER

AUTHORITY:

Conflicts of Interest Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide elected Members of the Legislative Assembly with advice and recommendations regarding their private interests in relation to their public responsibilities and to provide an impartial investigation of allegations of conflict of interest from the public and from elected members.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

To obtain information from Members of the Legislative Assembly regarding their assets, liabilities, and financial interests and to prepare public disclosure statements.

To promote the understanding by Members of the Legislative Assembly of their obligations under the Conflicts of Interest Act.

To provide advice and recommendations on matters respecting obligations of the Members of the Legislative Assembly under the Act.

To investigate any matter respecting an alleged breach of the Act by a Member of the Legislative Assembly on a complaint received from an elected member or from the public.

VOTE 5 — OFFICE OF THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER

Summary by Element

Reference Number	Element	1992-93 Estimates	Change from Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1991-92 Estimates	Comparable 1990-91 Actual
		$	%	$	$
5.0.1	Office of the Ethics Commissioner	**204,171**	. . .	—	—
	Amount to be voted	**204,171**	. . .	—	—

Summary by Object and Type of Expenditure

Object of Expenditure				
	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	**119,111**	. . .	—
	Supplies and Services	**66,460**	. . .	—
	Grants	**—**	—	—
	Purchase of Capital Assets	**18,600**	. . .	—
		204,171	. . .	—
Type of Expenditure				
	Operating	**185,571**	. . .	—
	Capital	**18,600**	. . .	—
		204,171	. . .	—

Summary of Manpower Authorization

Full-Time Equivalent Employment	**2.0**	. . .	—
Permanent Full-Time Positions	**—**	—	—

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 1992

VOTE / DESCRIPTION OF SPECIAL WARRANT	Amount $
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
In accordance with section 21 of the Legislative Assembly Act.	
1 SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
To provide funds to meet expenditure associated with the operations of the Special Select Committee on Constitutional Reform	1,339,489
TOTAL VOTE 1	1,339,489
In accordance with section 6.1 of the Elections Act.	
4 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER	
To provide funds to conduct the special enumeration in the Electoral Division of Little Bow.	26,075
To provide funds to conduct the by-election in the Electoral Division of Little Bow	28,315
To provide funds to conduct the special enumeration in the Electoral Division of Calgary — Buffalo	62,450
TOTAL VOTE 4	116,840
Amount to be voted under section 1 of the Appropriation Act, 1992 (Legislative Assembly Estimates)	1,456,329

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED
ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE
For the fiscal year ending March 31, 1993

Vote			Estimates
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY			
1	Support to the Legislative Assembly	$	22,954,152
2	Office of the Auditor General		11,845,271
3	Office of the Ombudsman		1,298,100
4	Office of the Chief Electoral Officer		1,149,459
5	Office of the Ethics Commissioner		204,171
Amount to be voted under section 2 of the Appropriation Act, 1992 (Legislative Assembly Estimates)		$	37,451,153